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**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 3747**

**SERIAL NO. 10/665,915**

## PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Berman Examiner: Dolinar, A.  
Serial No.: 10/665,915 Group Art Unit: 3747  
Filing Date: 9/19/2003 Docket No.: KING.005CIP  
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING REPEATED  
ELIMINATION BONUS IN GAMING ACTIVITIES

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence and the papers, as described hereinabove, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on August 2, 2005.

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in reply to the final Office Action mailed May 3, 2005, which set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply.

Claims 2-4, 11, 24, 26-28, 30-32, 39, 52 and 54 have been canceled. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS** begin on page 11 of this paper.